

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently Amended) A controlling method of a drum type washing machine, comprising:

performing washing and rinsing operations in accordance with a start command inputted by a user and a procedure selected by the user;

performing a laundry quantity measurement operation after end of the washing and rinsing operations;

selectively performing a preliminary spin drying operation only when the measured laundry quantity is the same as or bigger ~~not smaller~~ than a reference quantity value;

performing a main spin drying operation; and

terminating the spin drying process after the main spin drying operation.

6. (Original) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the laundry quantity is the volume of laundry loaded in a drum and/or the weight of the laundry after the rinsing operation.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 5, further comprising:

performing an eccentricity measurement operation after the laundry quantity measurement operation;

performing a determining operation to determine whether the measured eccentricity is smaller than a reference eccentricity value, and;

wherein the eccentricity measurement operation and the determining operation are repeated until the measured eccentricity becomes smaller than the reference eccentricity value.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 8 [[5]], wherein the preliminary spin drying operation is [[not]] performed when the measured eccentricity is smaller than the reference eccentricity value. ~~the measured laundry quantity is smaller than the reference quantity value.~~

11. (Previously Presented) The controlling method according to claim 8, wherein the eccentricity measurement operation includes stopping a drum and accelerating the drum again.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) The controlling method according to claim 8 [[5]], wherein the preliminary spin drying operation is carried out at least one time and the [[a]] main spin drying operation is carried out after the preliminary spin drying operation.

14. (Previously Presented) The controlling method according to claim 5, wherein the preliminary spin drying operation is carried out one or more times under an automatic control of a microcomputer based on the measured laundry quantity.

15-17. (Canceled)